



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 5066**

February Session, 2014



**AN ACT CONCERNING DESIGNATION OF A BARGAINING UNIT BY  
CHARTER SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS AND TEACHERS.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsection (c) of section 10-153b of the general statutes is  
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective*  
3 *October 1, 2014*):

4 (c) The employees in either unit defined in this section may  
5 designate any organization of certified professional employees to  
6 represent them in negotiations with respect to salaries, hours and other  
7 conditions of employment with the local or regional board of  
8 education which employs them by filing, during the period between  
9 March first and March thirty-first of any school year, with the local or  
10 regional board of education, or in the case of a state charter school, as  
11 defined in section 10-66aa, the State Board of Education, a petition  
12 which requests recognition of such organization for purposes of  
13 negotiation under this section and sections 10-153c to 10-153n,  
14 inclusive, and is signed by a majority of the employees in such unit.  
15 Where a new school district is formed as the result of the creation of a  
16 regional school district, a petition for designation shall also be  
17 considered timely if it is filed at any time from the date when such  
18 regional school district is approved pursuant to section 10-45 through  
19 the first school year of operation of any such school district. Where a

20 new school district is formed as a result of the dissolution of a regional  
21 school district, a petition for designation shall also be considered  
22 timely if it is filed at any time from the date of the election of a board  
23 of education for such school district through the first year of operation  
24 of any such school district. Within three school days next following the  
25 receipt of such petition, such [board] local or regional board of  
26 education shall post a notice of such request for recognition and mail a  
27 copy thereof to the commissioner, except that if such petition is filed  
28 by the employees of a state charter school, the State Board of Education  
29 shall post a notice of such request for recognition and mail a copy  
30 thereof to the commissioner and the governing council of such charter  
31 school. Such notice shall state the name of the organization designated  
32 by the petitioners, the unit to be represented and the date of receipt of  
33 such petition by the [board] local or regional board of education or the  
34 State Board of Education. If no petition which requests a  
35 representation election and is signed by twenty per cent of the  
36 employees in such unit is filed in accordance with the provisions of  
37 subsection (d) of this section, with the commissioner within the thirty  
38 days next following the date on which the local or regional board of  
39 education or the State Board of Education posts notice of the  
40 designation petition, such [board] local or regional board of education,  
41 or in the case of a state charter school, the governing council of such  
42 school, shall recognize the designated organization as the exclusive  
43 representative of the employees in such unit for a period of one year or  
44 until a representation election has been held for such unit pursuant to  
45 this section and section 10-153c, whichever occurs later. If a petition  
46 complying with the provisions of subsection (d) of this section is filed  
47 within such period of thirty days, the local or regional board of  
48 education, or in the case of a state charter school, the governing council  
49 of such school, shall not recognize any organization so designated  
50 until an election has been held pursuant to said sections to determine  
51 which organization shall represent such unit.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:
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Section 1	<i>October 1, 2014</i>	10-153b(c)
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